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## *City of South Fulton Government*

### **City of South Fulton Closes Welcome All Park Because of Gas Leak**

(CITY OF SOUTH FULTON, GA – June 21, 2022) – The City of South Fulton was forced to evacuate the Welcome All Park Community Center today after a gas leak was discovered at the facility.

Among the evacuated were summer camp attendees and facility staff as well as poll workers stationed at the park's community center for statewide runoff elections. Officials reopened the polling center later in the morning. However, the park will remain closed for the rest of the day.

"Shortly after 10 a.m., staff notified me of a loud noise that led them to go investigate what was later discovered to be the smell of gas. They immediately evacuated the facility of all patrons and attendees and notified police and fire," Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Director Travis Landrum said. "Thanks to staff being alert, summer camp attendees were safely evacuated to a safe along with Fulton County poll workers."

Welcome All Park is undergoing roof renovations. It is unknown whether the construction caused the leak. Experts say most outside natural gas leaks are caused by digging or construction that disturbs natural gas pipelines.

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### **About the City of South Fulton**

Home to nearly 108,000 residents, the City of South Fulton is Georgia's fifth-largest city. It covers more than 85 square miles and features both urban and rural landscapes with the most undeveloped land on metro Atlanta's southern side. Incorporated on May 1, 2017, South Fulton is among Georgia's youngest and fastest-growing cities – on the rise and recognized as the place you want to be. Learn more, download our smartphone app and connect with us on social media at [cityofsouthfultonga.gov](http://cityofsouthfultonga.gov).